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Office Action Summary

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Period for Reply

A SHORTENED STATUTORY PERIOD FOR REPLY IS SET TO EXPIRE 3 MONTH(S) OR THIRTY (30) DAYS, WHICHEVER IS LONGER, FROM THE MAILING DATE OF THIS COMMUNICATION.

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- Any reply received by the Office later than three months after the mailing date of this communication, even if timely filed, may reduce any earned patent term adjustment. See 37 CFR 1.704(b).

Status

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 08 July 2003.
- 2a) ☐ This action is **FINAL**. 2b) ☒ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 1-15 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) _____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 1 and 7 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☒ Claim(s) 2-6 and 8-15 is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☒ The drawing(s) filed on 08 July 2003 is/are: a) ☒ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.
- Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
- Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:
- ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
 - ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
 - ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

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| 1) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Notice of References Cited (PTO-892) | 4) <input type="checkbox"/> Interview Summary (PTO-413) |
| 2) <input type="checkbox"/> Notice of Draftperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) | Paper No(s)/Mail Date. _____ |
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DETAILED ACTION

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102

The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35 U.S.C. 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

A person shall be entitled to a patent unless –

(e) the invention was described in (1) an application for patent, published under section 122(b), by another filed in the United States before the invention by the applicant for patent or (2) a patent granted on an application for patent by another filed in the United States before the invention by the applicant for patent, except that an international application filed under the treaty defined in section 351(a) shall have the effects for purposes of this subsection of an application filed in the United States only if the international application designated the United States and was published under Article 21(2) of such treaty in the English language.

Claims 1 and 7 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) as being anticipated by Sowlati (Fig. 4a).

Regarding claim 1, Sowlati (Fig. 4a) discloses an amplifier circuit comprising a first transistor (M1) having a gate terminal (gate terminal of M1) and a drain terminal (drain terminal of M1) and a source terminal (source terminal of M1), a first resistor (Rg1) having a first terminal (upper terminal of Rg1) and second terminal (lower terminal of Rg1) and wherein the first terminal (upper terminal of Rg1) of the first resistor (Rg1) is electrically connected to the gate terminal (gate terminal of M1) of the first transistor (M1), a second transistor (M2) having a gate terminal (gate terminal of M2) and a drain terminal (drain terminal of M2) and a source terminal (source terminal of M2) and wherein the drain terminal (drain terminal of M2) of the second transistor (M2) is electrically connected to the source terminal (source terminal of M1) of the first transistor (M1) [It should be noted that the drain terminal of second transistor M2 is electrically connected to the source terminal of first transistor M1 through the resistor Rb

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and capacitor Cb. The terms "electrically connected" is an open ended limitation which does not exclude any intervening elements of components.], and a second resistor (Rb) having a first terminal (right terminal of Rb) and a second terminal (left terminal of Rb) and wherein the first terminal (right terminal of Rb) of the second resistor (Rb) is electrically connected to the gate terminal (gate terminal of M2) of the second transistor (M2) and wherein the second terminal (left terminal of Rb) of the second resistor (Rb) is electrically connected to the drain terminal (drain terminal of M1) of the first transistor (M1) [It should be noted that the second terminal of the second resistor Rb is electrically connected to the drain terminal of the first transistor M1 through the second transistor M2].

Regarding claim 7, Sowlati (Fig. 4a) discloses an amplifier circuit comprising a first transistor (M1) having a gate terminal (gate terminal of M1) and a drain terminal (drain terminal of M1) and a source terminal (source terminal of M1), a second transistor (M2) having a gate terminal (gate terminal of M2) and a drain terminal (drain terminal of M2) and a source terminal (source terminal of M2) and wherein the source terminal (source terminal of M1) of the first transistor (M1) is electrically connected to the drain terminal (drain terminal of M2) of the second transistor (M2) [It should be noted that the source terminal of the first transistor M1 is electrically connected to the drain terminal of the second transistor M2 through the capacitor Cb and resistor Rb. Again, the terms "electrically connected" is an open ended limitation which does not exclude any intervening elements of components.], a first resistor (Rg1) having a first terminal (upper terminal of Rg1) and second terminal (lower terminal of Rg1) and wherein the first

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terminal (upper terminal of Rg1) of the first resistor (Rg1) is electrically connected to the gate terminal (gate terminal of M1) of the first transistor (M1), and a second resistor (Rb) having a first terminal (left terminal of Rb) and second terminal (right terminal of Rb) and wherein the first terminal (left terminal of Rb) of the second resistor (Rb) is electrically connected to the drain terminal (drain terminal of M2) of the second transistor (M2), and wherein the second terminal (right terminal of Rb) of the second resistor (Rb) is electrically connected to the gate terminal (gate terminal of M2) of the second transistor (M2).

Allowable Subject Matter

Claims 2-6 and 8-15 are objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims.

Reasons for Allowance

The following is a statement of reasons for the indication of allowable subject matter: Regarding claim 3, the closest prior art of record, Sowlati (Fig. 4a) does not disclose the following limitations: wherein the first substrate terminal and the second substrate terminal are electrically connected to each other.


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Conclusion

The prior art made of record and not relied upon is considered pertinent to applicant's disclosure.

Patent numbers (6,515,547; 6,724,270) are the cascode amplifiers.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Henry Choe whose telephone number is (571) 272-1760.



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